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COUNTRY Germany (Russian Zone)

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SUBJECT The Berlin Outer Freight
Ring 25X1C

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ACQUIRED [REDACTED]NO. OF ENCLS. 1*
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INFO. [REDACTED]SUPPLEMENT TO
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1. In order to by-pass the Western Sectors of Berlin in their railroad operations the Soviets have constructed a rail connection between Mittenwalde (N 53/Z 92) and Zossen (N 53/Z 91). *
2. The newly constructed line is in poor condition. The roadbed consists chiefly of a layer of sand from 30 to 50 cm high. The rails are old material and many of the rail heads are damaged. The line is single track and has no passing sidings or signal installations. **
3. Type 51 and 52 locomotives pulling loaded cars operated on the line. Speed limit is 30 km/ph. The line has a train density of 35 to 40 trains, both directions, within a 24-hour period. Empty trains are directed through the Western Sectors of Berlin as far as possible in order not to overburden the new line.

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* [REDACTED] Comment. The construction of this link as a part of the southern section of the Berlin Outer Freight Ring was previously reported by [REDACTED] location of the rail connection see Annex.

** [REDACTED] Comment. The poor condition of this line caused by the installation of old rails is characterized by many rail breakages. The slow-down regulations for the second half of September 1950 list many slow-down sections on this line. Speed limits from 15 to 30 km/ph are prescribed. A passing siding is being constructed near Schoeneicher Plan. See [REDACTED]

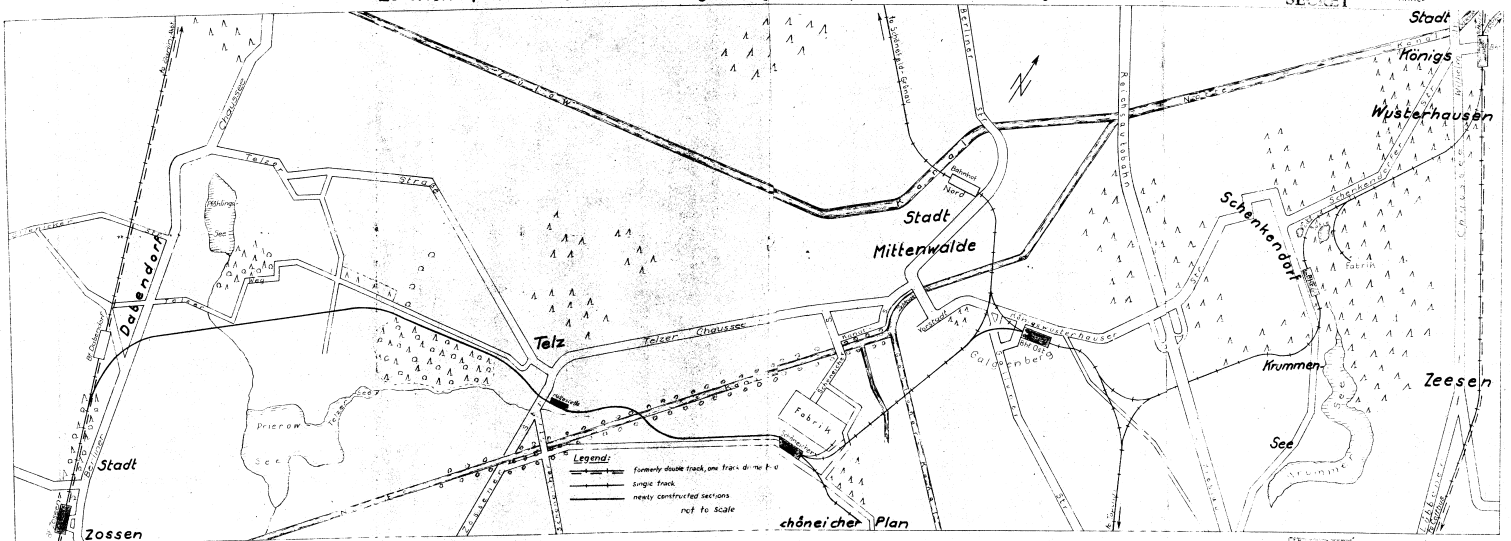
1 Annex: 1 - blueprint.

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Location of the Southern Outer Freight Ring of Berlin, Section Zossen - Königswusterhausen

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